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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Re: Montgomery Regional Airport

Dear

On January 5, 2016 my Office received your petition under Ala. Code §13A-11-61.3 regarding a possible violation of Alabama law by the Montgomery Regional Airport. Specifically, you alleged that the Montgomery Regional Airport posted signs prohibiting firearms.

My Office's investigation confirmed that the Montgomery Regional Airport posted the signs. I asked the Montgomery Regional Airport to explain its legal justification for prohibiting weapons. The Montgomery Regional Airport reviewed a redacted copy of your petition and the relevant portions of Alabama law and has promised to remove these signs. Because the Montgomery Regional Airport will be compliant with Alabama law, I have determined that there is no further action required under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3.

A redacted copy of this letter will be posted to my Office's website, in compliance with the statutory requirement under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3(f)(3).

Sincerely, Luther Strange

Luther Strange Attorney General

LS: alb Enclosure



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April 19, 2016

Hon. Luther Strange Attorney General Office of Attorney General P. O. Box 300152 Montgomery, AL 36130-0152

RE: Request for Information Regarding a Petition under Alabama Code § 13A-11-61.3 About Montgomery Regional Airport

Dear Attorney General Strange:

I greatly appreciate you meeting with Airport Director Perry and myself last week. After the meeting, and after considering your determination, the Airport has decided to comply with your request to remove the open carry signs from the Airport. The Airport will have all signs down prior to the deadline given in your letter.

We hope that the legislature will be able to clarify this law in the near future, and allow the Airport to repost the signs, as the Airport believes that it makes sense to prohibit the open carry of weapons in the common areas of the Airport. Thank you again for your consideration. If you need any further information, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

C. Nelson Gill

Attorney for Montgomery Airport Authority

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cc: Andrew Brasher
Phil Perry, Executive Director,
Montgomery Airport Authority